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**COUNCIL
OF STATE****Report of Committee
On Finance.****QUESTION BY J. A. KENNEDY**

The Other Committees Ask for
Further Time to Investi-
gate Appropriations.

The Council of State met yesterday
at 3 p. m. There were present Presi-
dent Dole and Ministers Mott-Smith,
Young, Damon and Cooper; Councilors
Achi, Ena, Allen, Kennedy, Bolte, Ka-
ne, Gonsalves, Robertson, Kaulukou,
Robinson, Jones, Gear, Nott and Isen-
berg. Secretary Manson read the min-
utes of the previous meeting.

Robertson: "I did not understand
that the bills were passed at their first
reading."

Pres. Dole: "Do the minutes require
that they pass at first reading? The
motion of Mr. Damon was that they be
read by title for the first time and re-
ferred to the committees, I believe."

This correction being made in the
minutes, they were approved.

Kennedy: "I would like to ask a
question. Has the Council of State
been called by President McKinley in-
stead of the Legislature to pass upon
the requisite appropriation bills for the
period ending December 31, 1901? If
so, will the Executive please state the
reason why the regular appropriation
bills have not been placed before the
Council of State?"

Pres. Dole: "The President has not
called the Council of State. He has
recognized it in regard to plague ap-
propriations, and the last bill which
was passed and sent to the President,
he has approved. There has also been
an amendment to the Senate's bill by
which the President is authorized to
approve or provide for the expenditure
of public monies. There has been no
calling of the Council of State by the
President of the United States to pass
upon appropriation bills up to January
1, 1901."

Cooper: "I think the President ex-
pressed himself clearly when he did
not think it wise to call the Legisla-
ture, but expected the Council of State
to make the necessary appropriations.
I think the telegram from the Presi-
dent ought to be read. The Council of
State meets only to pass the emergency
appropriation bill. I hope the Council
will understand this is not a complete
appropriation bill. The telegram to
President Dole reads as follows:
"The President does not consider it
wise to reconvene the old Legislature
expecting the Council of State to pro-
vide for requisite expenditures until
Congress elects (enacts) the Hawaiian
Territorial Bill. He approved Act 1 of
the Council of State."

"JOHN HAY."
"I understand that this is our au-
thority for meeting today. I under-
stand the situation is this: The Min-
ister of Finance has presented to the
Council of State the appropriation bills.
The Council of State has no power to
repeal an act of the Legislature, and
is only to provide for the deficit which
now exists."

Robertson, on behalf of the Commit-
tee on Judiciary and Attorney General,
stated the committee had not completed
its investigations and asked further
time in which to prepare a report.
Robinson, for the Committee on For-
eign Affairs and Public Instruction, re-
quested a similar extension of time to
conduct the necessary investigations
before embodying the results in the
committee's report.

The report of the Committee on Fi-
nance Department was read by Jones,
as follows:
Honolulu, March 20th, 1900.
To the President and Members of the
Council of State.

Sirs: Your committee to whom was
referred items in the Finance Depart-
ment of Act 2, now before the Council,
beg to report as follows:

Under the head of Department of Fi-
nance in Act 2, the following appropria-
tions are asked for:
"Interest on all loans and advances,
including remittances to London,
\$45,000."

We are advised by the Minister of
Finance that he has allowed for the
payment of interest only \$125,000,
which will not be sufficient to pay the
amount of interest on amounts to be-
come due during the next two years,
especially if the items asked for in
Bill 4 are appropriated by the Council
of State, for which bonds are to be
issued. We therefore recommend that
this item be appropriated.

The next item is "Redemption of
outstanding bonds, Act of Oct. 24th,
1890, \$43,000; the total bonded indebt-
edness and the Government and Postal
Savings Bank, as per Minister of Fi-
nance report, is \$1,890,351.49, of which
amount the United States Government
is to pay \$1,000,000, leaving a balance
to be borne by the Hawaiian Govern-
ment of \$890,351.49."

These bonds will become due on De-
cember 12th of the present year, and
if our affairs are not fully arranged by
that date it is our duty to make provi-
sion for payment of same, as it will be
unfair to the holders of the bonds not
to receive the money due them, espe-
cially as it will make no difference in
adjusting our settlement with the
United States Government. We ac-
cordingly recommend that this amount
be appropriated.

Under the Postal Bureau, the follow-
ing amount are asked for: "Incident-
als Postal Bureau (unpaid bills,
1899) \$3,052.20." These bills have
been carefully examined by your com-
mittee, and the amount corresponds
with the bills, consisting of regular

and legitimate expenses of that Bureau,
being for rents, bags, stamps, clerk
hire, over-time of clerks, stationery,
books, printing, etc., and we recom-
mend that this amount be appropriat-
ed.

The next item is "Incidentals Postal
Bureau, \$6,000."
With the great increase of business
in this department, we realize the ne-
cessity of more money to carry on the
work successfully, and we recommend
that the full sum of \$6,000 be appropri-
ated.

Next item is "Postal Money Order
Capital, \$3,500."

We find that it is necessary at times
to have capital to conduct this impor-
tant branch of the Postal Bureau, and
that the amount asked for is not more
than is absolutely necessary. We there-
fore recommend that this amount be
appropriated.

In the Customs Department the fol-
lowing items are asked for: "Incident-
als Customs Bureau (unpaid bills,
1899) \$1,232.32."

These bills have been examined in
detail and the amount asked for agrees
with the bills; they consist of expenses
for rents, electric lights, tele-
phones, salaries, printing, books and
sundry items, and we recommend that
the amount be appropriated.

The next item is "Damage done ship
Santa Clara by carelessness of assistant
harbor master in docking ship to rail-
road wharf, \$75."

Upon investigation we are satisfied it
was more accidental than "careless-
ness," and recommend that the amount
be appropriated.

The next item is "Incidentals Customs
Bureau, \$2,000."

We are advised by the Minister of
Finance that the amount in the regu-
lar appropriation bill for this is \$10,-
000, but we find, with the great in-
crease of business in this department,
that the extra amount asked for will
hardly meet the pressing needs, which
have already been considerably re-
duced by the Executive, and we recom-
mend that the full amount be appropri-
ated, especially as it is for the
entire Islands.

Respectfully submitted,
P. C. JONES,
C. BOLTE,
M. A. GONSALVES.

At the conclusion of the reading of
the report, Achi moved that the report
be laid on the table, to be considered
with the bill. The motion prevailed.

The Committee on Interior Depart-
ment was not prepared to make a re-
port and asked for further time in its
preparation.

On motion of Kaulukou, the Council
of State adjourned until 3 o'clock
Thursday afternoon.

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